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Arizona Man Sentenced in Police Pursuit, Carjacking Case

A 34-year-old man has been sentenced to six years and four months in state prison for stealing a car, carjacking another and leading police on a pursuit, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Johnny Paul Siganoff, aka John Siganoff, John Szabo and Frank Siganoff of Phoenix, pleaded no contest yesterday to one felony count each of carjacking, assault upon a peace officer and resisting executive officer.

Siganoff stole a car from a gas station clerk in Mission Viejo on May 30, 2018, prosecutors said. The defendant later got into a crash on the 210 Freeway near Hill Avenue in Pasadena and carjacked the vehicle that was involved in the collision, prosecutors added.

Later, on the 134 Freeway at Harvey Drive in Glendale, Siganoff crashed into two vehicles and tried to carjack those two vehicles before returning to the car he had previously carjacked and fleeing, prosecutors said.

At that point, police began pursuing the defendant who then crashed into another vehicle and attempted to carjack that victim but then returned to the vehicle he was driving and fled, prosecutors added.

The pursuit came to an end and the defendant was arrested after a struggle near Riverside Drive and the 134 in Burbank.

Deputy District Attorney Yoobin Hernandez was the assigned prosecutor.

Case GA103610 was investigated by the California Highway Patrol, Altadena area.

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